Under the CSSM Project, an amount of Rs. 2388.32 lakhs has been allocated for the States Union Territories other than Rajasthan and Orissa.

2441 [Transferred to 17th December 1992]

C.B.I. Investigation against drug Manufacturers

2442. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV :

WiU the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the role of Central Bureau of Investigation in "OSLERS" case;

(b) the findings of CBI and whether CBI has recommended any action against the Drugs Control Authorities, the Central Indian Pharmacopoeia Laboratory (CIPL) and the manufacturer of contaminated bottles of I.V. Fluids; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) to (c) The C.B.I, report dated 25-7-91 was received on 30-7-1991. Based on the C.B.I. recommendations, the erring officials have been charge-sheeted on 17-6-1992 under Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rules.

Delay in declaring I.V. Fluids as contaminated

2443. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question 2905 on 5th Augiist, 1992 in Rajya Sabha and state :

(a) the reasons for the unprecedented delay in declaring the I.V. Fluids as contaminated after a period of 9 months from the date of receiving complaint;

(b) what were the findings of the investigation of the Drtigs Controller, Delhi Administration- and

(c) the reasons that weighed with the Central' Bureau of Investigation requesting the Director General of Health[1'' Services (D'GHS) for getting this case investigated in the month of October, 1989 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) to (c) On the request of CBI to the Director General of Health Services (DGHS) on 9-10-89, the Central Drugs Inspectors (North Zone) rendomly drew samples of 20 batches and sent them to the Central Drugs Laboratory (CDL) Calcutta for test and analysis. The samples were received by them on 3-11-89 for testing. CDL, Calcutta issued test reports of certain batches of I.V. Fluids contaminated with fungus during thee. period 10-11-89 to 16-11-89. As such, there was no *delay in declaring the* I.V. *Fluids as* contaminated.

The Drug Control Authorities, Delhi Administration, in their letter dt. 9-2-89 had informed the Drugs Controller (India) that they had inspected the premises of M/s. Eskay Pharmaceuticals, New Delhi, and took 11 samples of I.V. Fluids manu-faclurcd by M/s. Osiers Pharma Ltd., Coimbatore for testing. The results of the analysis of these samples drawn by Drugs Inspector, Delhi Administration, became known in the month of April, 1989, declaring all the 11 samples to be of standard' quality, which were tested at Central Indian Pharmacopoeia Laboratory, Ghazia-bad.

Committee on tlouridated Tooth Pastes

244. SHR[J. S. RAJU : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a.) whether it is a fact that the Committee appointed to enquire into the exclusion of a clause banning use of tlouridated tooth paste by children below 7 years of age from the draft notification issued in 1991 has submitted its report;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken on the use of flouride in the tooth pastes; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Trials of Neem based contraceptive foi use of women

2445. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHAND RAKANT BHANDARE :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that close on heels of the beta HCG-Vaccine (the first ever contraceptive to make use of a women's own immune system), the N.I.I. (National Institute of Immunology) has embarked on clinical trials of a neem based contraceptive; and

(b) if so, what are the results of the trials on the efficiency of Beta-HCG vaccines and the main features of the new neem-based contraceptive ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARATHA) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Beta HCG vaccine was tried on 152 .women. All these women developed antibody titre against HCG. The efficacy of this vaccine in prevention of pregnancy in women whose antibody titres are above 50 ing/ml of HCG binding capacity has been proved.

Shortage of oral conraccptive and HJDs

2446. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA :
CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn toi the report captioned "Contraceptive shortage hits FP scheme" appear-ed in the Pioneer of 19th October, 1992;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that acute shortage of (Nargestrol) oral contraceptives and IUDs has adversely affected the family planning programme this year; and

(c) what steps have been taken and are being taken to ensure regular supplies of these basic materials for implementation of thet population control programme ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI M. L. FOTEOAR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) There has been some shortage. Supplies of oral pills are now being made to the States. Consequent to finalisation of rate contracts by DGS&D of IUD, production has started. Effective monitoring is being done to ensure that supplies are expeditiously made availably.

Suggestion on composition of oral Dehydration Solution

2447. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state ;

(a) whether the World Health Organisation has suggested a formula in respect of composition of oral dehydration solution;

(b) if so, whether the Indian manufacturers of oral dehydration solution ate adhering to the said formula;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to ensure that oral dehydration solution available in the country conforms to the standard formula ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Indian manufacturers of Oral Rehydrating solutions (ORS) manufacture ORS as per its composition in the India Pharmacopoeia; the Indian Pharmacopoeia has introduced three formulae of ORS, including that of the World Health Organisation. Two of the three approved formulae are as per WHO's recommendation : the third formula is under review.

Drive against Illegal Medical Practitioners

2448. OR. BAPU KALDATE :
SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a a fact that the Delhi Administration recently launched a drive against medical practitioners in the city who are called as quacks and whose qualifications are not recognised by the Delhi Medical Association;